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Snow the "called" candidates.

Mr. JACOB TANNER has made an excellent member, and should be elected.

After the election they will look up the encyclopedia and try to ascertain when they were "called" back.

If the party does its duty at the spring election it will put it in good fighting trim for the fall campaign.

Let us present a solid front and elect every republican candidate for the council. They are all good men.

AFTER so much fuss about the republican ticket, is it not strange that all of the "called" candidates should be democrats.

An old German adage to this effect: "Der wehr nicht hewen vill, must fleten," is respectfully referred to the pompous young German emperor.

BEFORE the election the "called" democrats should be interrogated on the cardinal principles of the party, such as poker, three-card monte, etc.

of whom happen to be democrats. This is done to fool the innocent republicans. The difference between a "called" democrat and a "nominated" democrat is nil.

Mr. REWART, the candidate for alderman in the First ward, will make a most excellent member of the board, and we believe that the best interests of the city will be promoted by his election.

Mr. HENRY SCHWARTZ is an honest, conscientious, hard-working mechanic, and if elected to the board he will always be found doing that which is best for the city.

The state treasurer of Louisiana got away with \$300,000 during the past 14 years. He says he never got a cent of it. Perhaps our own Col. Joseph K. Riekey of Callaway county got it.

Ten democrats ought to be ashamed of their cowardice. They pretend to be opposed to politics in city affairs, and on that pretense do not nominate a ticket, but they slyly proceed to "call" five candidates, all

mean interest is being manifested regarding railroad development. Since the river route is now under construction the natural inquiry is, will we not also secure an extension of the branch to Nevada or Rich Hill.

Mr. GESS, the republican nominee for councilman of the Second ward, should be elected by a good rousing majority. Two years ago he was defeated by only one majority, and the republicans. If the ward should waste no votes on the democratic candidates.

Col. JOHN O'DAY is making a great spittle about his "aliquot share" of the Noland defalcation. If he had been less officious in the beginning of the trouble, by responding better and shirking less, he would not have to be in such haste about his "aliquot share."

The English free trader finding that the people of the United States refuse to repeal their protection laws, and that all other nations have followed the United States, and now protect their home industries, there is no place for England's free trade goods, and their capitalists are taking new investments. Hence the investments in American breweries, etc. The Englishman's heart would rejoice if he could only break down American protection.

In the discussion of the question of free trade or protection between Mr. Gladstone on the side of free trade, and Mr. Blaine on the side of protection, some very interesting features are presented. Mr. Gladstone, however, makes three admissions that will break the heart of the American democrat. He says that wages are higher under protection; that the manufacturer is hampered rather than benefited by it, and that the United States should use its labor in raising more grain, cotton, corn, etc., and not bother about manufacturing goods so long as they can buy them for less money abroad.

The democratic leaders are trying to take the duty off of lead importations so as to ruin the American lead industry. It is said there are millions in it for the leaders.

OSAGE CITY, Mo., March 25, 1890.
—Editor STATE REPUBLICAN, Jefferson City: Will you please answer the following questions through the columns of your paper and set right the minds of many mistaken men, especially foreigners:

Who is entitled to vote? Does a foreigner who has not yet received his final naturalization papers commit a crime by voting or offering to vote? What is the penalty for illegal voting. Respectfully,

M. W. SMITH.

ANSWER.

Every male citizen of the United States, and every male person of foreign birth who may have declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, according to law, not less than one year nor more than five years, before he offers to vote, who is over 21 years; possessing these qualifications. He shall have resided in the state one year immediately preceding the election at which he offers to vote. He shall have resided in the county, city or town where he shall offer to vote at least 60 days preceding the election, and each voter shall vote only in the township in which he resides. He can vote after declaring his intention. The penalty for illegal voting is not less than \$25 nor more than \$100.

The New Election Law.

Below we publish a synopsis of the new election law, which will be enforced at our city election next Tuesday:

Section 15. The clerk of the county court shall provide ballots, and cause to be printed in appropriate ballots the name of every candidate certified to him. Ballots other than those printed by the county clerk shall not be cast or counted.

Section 17. The names of candidates nominated by each party shall be grouped together upon the ballot, and each group be headed by the name of the political party by which the candidates are nominated.

At the end of the list of candidates for each office shall be left a blank space large enough to contain as many written names of candidates as there are offices to be filled.

Section 18. The clerk of the county court shall provide for each ward 200 ballots for every 50 and fraction of 50 electors who voted at the last general city election in each ward.

Section 19. Before the opening of the polls the clerk of the county court shall cause to be delivered to the judges of election of each ward in the city, at the polling place of each ward, one-half of the number of ballots printed for each ward, and the remainder he shall deliver to the constable of Jefferson township, in a sealed package, to be delivered to said judges of election only as may be necessary by reason of the loss, destruction or insufficiency of the ballots previously delivered.

Section 20. The judges of the election shall designate two of their number, not of the same party, whose duty it shall be to have charge of the ballots and to furnish them to the voters.

Section 22. A sufficient number of places or booths shall be furnished with supplies and conveniences, as shall enable the voter to prepare his ballot for voting, in which compartment the electors shall mark their ballots, secured from observation, and a guard so constructed that only persons within said rail can approach within five feet of the ballot boxes or compartments provided for. The number of places or compartments shall not be less than one for every 100 electors who voted at the last preceding general city election. No persons other than the electors engaged in receiving, preparing and depositing their ballots, shall be permitted within said rail, except by authority of the judges of election.

Section 23. Each qualified voter shall be entitled to receive from the judges one ballot.

Section 24. On receipt of his ballot the election shall forthwith, and without leaving the polling place, retire alone to one of the booths to prepare his ballot. He shall prepare his ballot by crossing out the names of all candidates except those for whom he wishes to vote. After preparing his ballot the elector shall fold the same so that the face of the ballot will be concealed. He shall then vote forthwith without leaving the polling place.

Section 25. Not more than one person shall be permitted to occupy any one booth at any one time, and no person shall remain in or occupy a booth longer than may be necessary to prepare his ballot, and in no event longer than five minutes.

Section 26. Every person who does not vote any ballot delivered to him shall, before leaving the polling place, return such ballot to the judges.

Section 27. Any elector who declares under oath to the judges that he cannot read or write or other disability, he is unable to mark his ballot, may declare the choice of candidates to either one of the judges having charge of the ballots, who, in presence of the elector, shall prepare the ballot for voting.

Section 28. No judge shall deposit any ballot in the ballot box upon which the name or initials of the judge receiving the ballot, does not appear.

Section 29. The county clerk shall cause to be printed in large type instructions for the guidance of the electors preparing their ballots.

Section 30. No officer of election shall, disclose to any person the name of any candidate for whom any elector has voted. No officer of election shall do any electioneering on election day. No person whatever shall do any electioneering on election day within any polling place, or within 100 feet of any polling

place. No person shall apply for or receive any ballot in any polling place other than that in which he is entitled to vote. Any violation of this section is a penalty of not less than \$50.00.

Section 34. In case of failure of judges appointed, to appear at the time fixed for the opening of the polls, the voters at any election precinct, to the number of ten or more, may proceed to elect judges to act.

Afraid of the Farmers.

The St. Louis Republic seems to be alarmed. It is afraid that the farmers' organization is going to do something to injure the democratic party.

The Republic seems to be aware of the fact that when an organization like the Farmers' and Laborers' union, formed for the purpose of protecting and promoting the interests of the agriculturist, takes an interest in politics, it isn't apt to do a great deal of work for the success of a gang of professional democratic politicians. That paper probably knows how little the democratic party has done for the farmers and business men of Missouri, and it probably knows how little the farmers and business men owe that party. It is probably aware of the fact that the farmers ought to nominate men who will represent their interests and is afraid they will do it. It is probably aware of the fact that the democratic party of this state ought to be defeated and is afraid it will get what it deserves.

The Republic is not alarmed without reason. The people of Missouri are gradually getting tired of misrule, and the fact that these organizations are being formed shows that the people are taking more interest in the questions of government. And just in proportion as the people of this state take an active interest in political matters and do their own thinking just in that proportion are the chances of democratic success decreased.

We do not know that there is any danger of a third party being formed in this state by the farmers. We do believe, however, that the farmers of Missouri are going to look after their interests in politics more carefully hereafter, and that they are determined to elect men to office who will represent them.

We are opposed to a third party because we know the farmers can use the old parties if they will. But, while we do not favor independent movements, which seldom accomplish anything, we believe the farmers ought to sit down on the professional politicians and elect to the legislature and to congress men who have some acquaintance with the farming, industrial and business interests of the state and who are intelligent and honest enough to represent those interests.—EX.

Geo. F. Heinrichs, the furniture king, says he served four years in the United States army in Maj. Lusk's command during the late war, lacking three years, eleven months and thirty days.

The reception committee for the state encampment, G. A. R., are requested to meet to-morrow (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock, at the office of Maj. Lusk. A full attendance is desired as business of importance will be transacted. C. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

Editor REPUBLICAN: Permit members of the board of education through the columns of your paper to make an explanation relating to the pending proposition to purchase site or sites and the erection of school buildings. Now this proposition did not originate with the board of education, but is made in compliance with petitions signed by 76 tax payers requesting the board to submit such proposition to voters of Jefferson City school district at the ensuing election.

Section 8905 of the revised statutes of Missouri provides: That when ever ten tax payers request the board of education to submit to the tax payers of the district a proposition to buy site and erect additional school buildings, the said board shall submit the same to the qualified voters, also determine the rate of tax necessary to be levied.

The board, upon due deliberation, found that a levy of 4 cents on the one hundred dollar valuation each for interest and sinking fund purposes would be sufficient to pay the interest upon \$10,000 bonds and pay off the debt contracted within ten years, giving the district two new school buildings. School taxes have been steadily reduced from 85 cents in 1882 to 55 cents in 1889, and the bond debt has been reduced during this period from \$40,500 to \$25,700.

The probable levy for the current year will be 40 cents for teachers and incidental expenses, 5 cents to pay interest on bonded debt, and 5 cents for sinking fund, making a total of 50 cents. Should the taxpayers vote the additional tax levy will only be 61 cents as against 85 cents in 1882.

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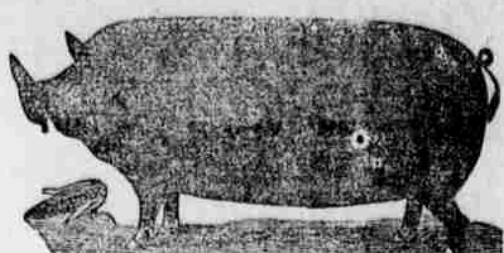
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